

WHO HAS A DISABILITY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD? AN OVERVIEW

The U.S. Census Bureau Census, 2000, estimated that there were 186,580 persons living in Montgomery County with a disability. Nationally, it is estimated people with disabilities make up 19.8% of the total population. According to a 2009 American Community Survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, 12% of Americans self-reported as having a disability. These figures excluded individuals who reside in nursing homes or other institutions. The Census Bureau defines disability as a long-lasting sensory, physical, mental, or emotional condition or conditions that make it difficult for a person to do functional or participatory activities such as seeing, hearing, walking, climbing stairs, learning, remembering, concentrating, dressing, bathing, going outside the home, or working at a job.

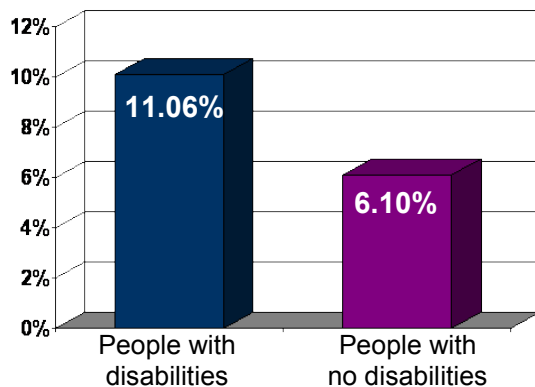
Social Security Recipients (SSI)

As of December, 2009, there are **12,479** people receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) in Montgomery County. Of those individuals, **6,958** have a disability.

People under 18	1,077
People 18 - 64	4,718
People 65 or older	6,684
Total	12,479
Social Security Insurance recipients also receiving Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)	3,106
Total Amount of Payments	\$6,211,000

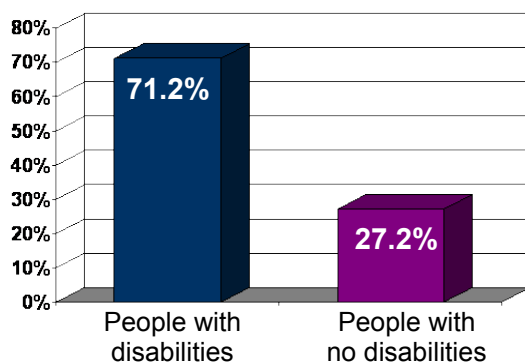
Source: Social Security Administration, 2009

Poverty Status - Montgomery County, MD Population 18 to 64 years



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2009

Unemployment Status - Montgomery County, MD Population 18 to 64 years



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2009

2009 Disability Characteristics - Montgomery County

Subject	Total
Population under 5 years	69,772
With a disability	540
With a hearing difficulty	381
With a vision difficulty	159
Population 5 to 17 years	167,431
With a disability	7,805
With a hearing difficulty	495
With a vision difficulty	869
With a cognitive difficulty	4,419
With an ambulatory difficulty	563
With a self-care difficulty	1,459
Population 18 to 64 years	605,601
With a disability	51,391
With a hearing difficulty	6,425
With a vision difficulty	3,997
With a cognitive difficulty	11,296
With an ambulatory difficulty	13,188
With a self-care difficulty	5,435
With an independent living difficulty	11,050
Population 65 years and over	114,917
With a disability	79,969
With a hearing difficulty	11,561
With a vision difficulty	5,914
With a cognitive difficulty	11,127
With an ambulatory difficulty	21,758
With a self-care difficulty	9,169
With an independent living difficulty	20,440
Total Population With A Disability	139,705

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2009

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL EDUCATION

Number of Montgomery County Public School Students with Disabilities Ages 3 - 21 Receiving Special Education Services

As of September, 2009, there were **16,898** students with disabilities enrolled in Special Education. This population makes up **11.9%** of the County's total school enrollment of 141,722 students.

Disability Type	# of Students 2008	# of Students 2009
Autism	1,308	1,501
Deaf	110	101
Deaf-Blind	2	1
Developmental Delay	1,197	1,415
Emotional Disturbance	635	684
Hearing Impairment	152	163
Intellectual Disability	649	652
Multiple Disabilities	220	256
Orthopedic Impairment	62	59
Other Health Impairment	2,592	2,755
Specific Learning Disability	5,615	5,608
Speech and Language Impairment	3,838	3,613
Traumatic Brain Injury	31	27
Visual Impairment	73	63
Total	16,485	16,898

Source: Maryland State Department of Education - Special Education/Early Intervention Services Census Data 10/2009

Montgomery County School Enrollment - Special Education Ages 3 to 21

Special Education enrollment has increased by **672** students over the last ten years.



Source: Maryland State Department of Education - Special Education/Early Intervention Services Census Data 10/2009

Students with Disabilities By Race Compared with General Education Students by Race - Ages 3 to 21

SWD = Students with Disabilities / GE = General Education

	Grand Total	American Indian/ Alaskan Native		Asian/Pacific Islander		African American		White		Hispanic	
		Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
SWD	16,898	52	0.3%	1,371	8.1%	4,798	28.4%	6,451	38.2%	4,226	25.0%
GE	141,722	432	0.3%	22,176	15.6%	32,864	23.2%	54,035	38.1%	32,215	22.7%

Source: Maryland State Department of Education - Maryland Special Education Census Publication 10/2009